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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

San Diego, California

A grant totalling \$30,000 has been approved for the University of San Diego School of Law's Legal Clinic program by the Council on Legal Education for Professional Responsibility, Inc., (CLEPR) Dean Donald T. Weckstein announced.

Commencing August 1, 1974, the grant will extend for two academic years and will be used to increase the clinic's faculty. According to Weckstein, "CLEPR funds will pay part of the salaries of two full-time clinical instructors in law, two adjunct professors to teach academic components, and two affiliated professors who will conduct seminars and work with students on clinic cases."

At least 90 students are expected to participate for credit in the clinical program in the fall semester. The present five year old program consists of the operation of four legal clinic offices which are run by the Law School and one college student group legal service office. Students offer the full range of legal representation to indigent clients, and several field placement offices in agencies involving criminal prosecution and criminal defense work.

The improved program will totally involve the law student for a full semester in the supervised practice of law.

This is the first time the University has been the beneficiary of a CLEPR grant.